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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD **CHARGE AGAINST EMPLOYER**

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Case

20-CA-266887

Date Filed

09/28/2020

FORM EXEMPT UNDER 44 U.S.C 3512

INSTRUCTIONS:

File an original with NLRB Regional Director for the region in which the	e alleged unfair labor practice occurred or is occurri GAINST WHOM CHARGE IS BROUGHT	ng.	
a. Name of Employer		b. Tel. No.	
Amazon Central Operations Phoenix		(888) 892-7180	
		c. Cell No.	
		f. Fax No.	
d. Address (Street, city, state, and ZIP code)	e. Employer Representative	I. I ax No.	
		g. e-Mail	
8600 S Science Dr	Shantelle Garza Human Resources Associate	shanteg@amazon.com	
AZ Tempe 85284	Tiuman Nesources Associate	h. Number of workers employed 400	
i. Type of Establishment (factory, mine, wholesaler, etc.) Others	j. Identify principal product or service Whole Foods Delivery Dispatch		
k. The above-named employer has engaged in and is engaging in unfair labor practices within the meaning of section 8(a), subsections (1) and (list			
subsections) of the National Labor Relations Act, and these unfair labor			
practices are practices affecting commerce within the meaning of the Act, or these unfair labor practices are unfair practices affecting commerce within the meaning of the Act and the Postal Reorganization Act.			
2. Basis of the Charge (set forth a clear and concise statement of the facts constituting the alleged unfair labor practices)			
3. Full name of party filing charge (if labor organization, give full (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Title:	name, including local name and number)		
4a. Address (Street and number, city, state, and ZIP code)		4b. Tel. No. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)		4c. Cell No.	
		4d. Fax No.	
		4e. e-Mail	
		(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	
Full name of national or international labor organization of whorganization)	nich it is an affiliate or constituent unit (to be filled	in when charge is filed by a labor	
6. DECLARATION	are true to the best of multipouledge, and belief	Tel. No.	
I declare that I have read the above charge and that the statements	are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	
By (b) (c), (b) (7)(c) Title:	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Office, if any, Cell No.	
(signature of representative or person making charge) (Print/type name and title or office, if any)	Fax No.	
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	00/07/0000 40:47-50	e-Mail	
Address	09/27/2020 12:47:59 (date)	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS CHARGE CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001) PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Solicitation of the information on this form is authorized by the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), 29 U.S.C. § 151 *et seq.* The principal use of the information is to assist the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in processing unfair labor practice and related proceedings or litigation. The routine uses for the information are fully set forth in the Federal Register, 71 Fed. Reg. 74942-43 (Dec. 13, 2006). The NLRB will further explain these uses upon request. Disclosure of this information to the NLRB is voluntary; however, failure to supply the information will cause the NLRB to decline to invoke its processes.

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Basis of the Charge

8(a)(1)

Within the previous six-months, the Employer has interfered with, restrained, and coerced its employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by maintaining work rules that prevent or discourage employees from engaging in protected concerted activities.

Work Rule	
Misrepresentation of Workplace Policies	

Additional Information in Support of Charge

Charging Party Name : (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Inquiry Number: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date Submitted: 09/27/2020 12:47:59

Please provide a <u>brief</u> description of the specific conduct involved in your charge. The information you provide may be viewed by the charged party in the event of a formal proceeding, so PLEASE DO NOT GIVE A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF YOUR CHARGE OR A LIST OF POTENTIAL WITNESSES AT THIS TIME. A Board Agent will contact you to obtain this and other detailed information after your charge is docketed. After you submit this E-Filed Charge form, you will receive a confirmation email with an Inquiry Number (Sample Inquiry Number: 1-1234567890) and a link to the E-Filing web page. You may use the link and the Inquiry number provided in the email to e-file any additional documents you wish to present in support of your charge.

Additional Information Provided:

Up to and during training I was never informed that Central Operations - Amazon is a fully automated company. All hiring and terminations are done through an automated system. I was terminated without notice due to a technical issue - it was not performance related nor was it due to excessive lateness or absences. I was not given a chance to fix the issue and I was not contacted by the HR associate regarding my offenses. I was simply locked out of the building. They advised I was sent two emails. I did receive two emails but they were addressed to another coworker. The HR Associate never acknowledged the email mistake nor am I really sure I was terminated due to my own fault. I believe it was a technical issue that was never investigated.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD



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September 30, 2020

Shantelle Garza, Human Resources Associate Amazon Central Operations Phoenix 8600 South Science Drive Tempe AZ 85284

Re: Amazon Central Operations Phoenix

Case 20-CA-266887

Dear Ms. Garza:

Enclosed is a copy of a charge that has been filed in this case. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

<u>Investigator</u>: The case was filed in Region 28 but is being handled by Region 20 as part of the Agency's resource sharing program. This charge is being investigated by Field Attorney CECILY VIX whose telephone number is (628)221-8877. If this Board agent is not available, you may contact Supervisory Attorney KATHLEEN C. SCHNEIDER whose telephone number is (628)221-8873.

Right to Representation: You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If you are contacted by someone about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the National Labor Relations Board. Their knowledge regarding this proceeding was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit a complete written account of the facts and a statement of your position with respect to the allegations set forth in the charge as soon as possible. If the Board agent later asks for more evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to cooperate fully by promptly presenting all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case can be fully investigated more quickly.

Full and complete cooperation includes providing witnesses to give sworn affidavits to a Board agent, and providing all relevant documentary evidence requested by the Board agent. Sending us your written account of the facts and a statement of your position is not enough to be considered full and complete cooperation. A refusal to fully cooperate during the investigation might cause a case to be litigated unnecessarily.

In addition, either you or your representative must complete the enclosed Commerce Questionnaire to enable us to determine whether the NLRB has jurisdiction over this dispute. If you recently submitted this information in another case, or if you need assistance completing the form, please contact the Board agent.

We will not honor requests to limit our use of position statements or evidence. Specifically, any material you submit may be introduced as evidence at a hearing before an administrative law judge regardless of claims of confidentiality. However, certain evidence produced at a hearing may be protected from public disclosure by demonstrated claims of confidentiality.

Further, the Freedom of Information Act may require that we disclose position statements or evidence in closed cases upon request, unless an exemption applies, such as those protecting confidential financial information or personal privacy interests.

<u>Preservation of all Potential Evidence:</u> Please be mindful of your obligation to preserve all relevant documents and electronically stored information (ESI) in this case, and to take all steps necessary to avoid the inadvertent loss of information in your possession, custody or control. Relevant information includes, but is not limited to, paper documents and all ESI (e.g. SMS text messages, electronic documents, emails, and any data created by proprietary software tools) related to the above-captioned case.

<u>Prohibition on Recording Affidavit Interviews:</u> It is the policy of the General Counsel to prohibit affiants from recording the interview conducted by Board agents when subscribing Agency affidavits. Such recordings may impede the Agency's ability to safeguard the confidentiality of the affidavit itself, protect the privacy of the affiant and potentially compromise the integrity of the Region's investigation.

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If you have questions about the submission of evidence or expect to deliver a large quantity of electronic records, please promptly contact the Board agent investigating the charge. If you cannot e-file your documents, you must provide a statement explaining why you do not

have access to the means for filing electronically or why filing electronically would impose an undue burden.

In addition, this Region will be issuing case-related correspondence and documents, including complaints, compliance specifications, dismissal letters, deferral letters, and withdrawal letters, electronically to the email address you provide. Please ensure that you receive important case-related correspondence, please ensure that the Board Agent assigned to your case has your preferred email address. These steps will ensure that you receive correspondence faster and at a significantly lower cost to the taxpayer. If there is some reason you are unable to receive correspondence via email, please contact the agent assigned to your case to discuss the circumstances that prevent you from using email.

Information about the Agency, the procedures we follow in unfair labor practice cases and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov or from an NLRB office upon your request. NLRB Form 4541, Investigative Procedures offers information that is helpful to parties involved in an investigation of an unfair labor practice charge.

We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,

JILL H. COFFMAN Regional Director

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Enclosures:

- 1. Copy of Charge
- 2. Commerce Questionnaire

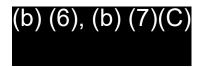


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<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: As the party who filed the charge in this case, it is your responsibility to meet with the Board agent to provide a sworn affidavit, or provide other witnesses to provide sworn affidavits, and to provide relevant documents within your possession. Because we seek to resolve labor disputes promptly, you should be ready to promptly present your affidavit(s) and other evidence. If you have not yet scheduled a date and time for the Board agent to take your affidavit, please contact the Board agent to schedule the affidavit(s). If you fail to cooperate in promptly presenting your evidence, your charge may be dismissed without investigation.

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October 6, 2020

Shantelle Garza, Human Resources Associate Amazon Central Operations Phoenix 8600 South Science Drive Tempe, AZ 85284

Re:

Amazon Central Operations Phoenix

Diu H. Coffman

Case 20-CA-266887

Dear Ms. Garza:

This is to advise you that I have approved the withdrawal of the charge in the above matter.

Very truly yours,

JILL H. COFFMAN Regional Director

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